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SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION

1. KISSINGER IN PEKING: INTERNATIONAL NEWS PAGES OF LISBON PAPERS CARRY PROMINENT, STRAIGHTFORWARD AFP AND RETUERS REPORTS ON KISSINGER VISIT. SAMPLE HEADLINE: OCT. 21 "O SECULO"-- "CORDIL AND FRANK' DIALOGUE BETWEEN KISSINGER AND CHINESE LEADERS."

2. U.S.-SOVIET WHEAT ACCORD: MAJOR NEWSPLAY BY RADIO, PRESS GIVEN ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGREEMENT. LARGEST HEADLINE ON OCT. 21 INTERNATIONAL NEWS PAGE OF "DIARIO DE NOTICIAS" IS "LONG-TERM AGREEMENT ON WHEAT PURCHASES BY USSR IN U.S." NO COMMENTARIES.

3. U.S., EEC AID TO PORTUGAL: TWO GOP-OWNED, MARXIST-LINE NEWSPAPERS HAVE PUBLISHED NEGATIVE ITEMS RE ASSISTANCE. OCT. 20 "DIARIO DE LISBOA" HAD SARCASTIC COLUMN BY MANUEL AUGUSTO DE ARAUJO WHICH IS BUCHWALD-LIKE CHRONICLE OF IMAGINARY MEETING BETWEEN KISSINGER AND MELO ANTUNES IN WHICH SECSTATE OFFERED PORTUGAL BOEING 747. WRITER IRONICALLY SAID IT IS ONLY

"THE BAD-MOUTHERS WHO SAY THAT THIS KIND OF AID IS NOT NECESSARY." (OTHER PAPERS HAVE ALLUDED TO U.S. LOANS RE THE JUMBO UNCLASSIFIED

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JET AND INDICATED THAT WITH THE END OF COLONIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH

ANGOLA, PORTUGAL WILL HAVE NO NEED FOR SUCH A PLANE.) FRONT-PAGE
STORY IN OCT. 21 "DIARIO DE NOTICIAS" REPORTS GOP-EEC DISCUSSIONS
IN LISBON RE EEC LOAN; ALONGSIDE REPORT IS EDOTIRAL CARTOON
SHOWING TREE LABELED "PORTUGUESE REVOLUTION" AND AT BASE OF TRUNK
LIES SAW LABELED "HELP FROM CAPITALIST COUNTRIES."
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